PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES, April 14, 1998

ROLL CALL

Present: Mickelson, Higginson, Abbott, Prevanus, Smith, Canfield and Tom Weldon. Minutes of March 26 approved.

Vietnam Veterans of America--Gil Rosario updated the Vietnam Living Monument program. No decision on site but still really wants Azalea Park site. Don Higginson wants more detail on what the carvings on pole will look like. Gil Rosario to work on details of just what whole project will look like and the exact amount of space it will require. Gil to contact Leo Lightle for some additional assistance and complete an additional form to be return to the Parks and Recreation committee May 26, 1998 meeting. The committee will review the new information and if satisfactory will submit the information to the city council.

STOUT PARK Park looks good. There is a large boulder on one of the walks which will be needed to be remove.

CHETCO POINT PARK Still needs city council's approval which should happen on 4/27/98.

SOFTBALL/SOCCER FIELDS All materials are here but good weather is needed to get anything done. Some discussion was held about parking area but nothing was decided.

PARKS MASTER PLAN Mike is still in the facts and information stage and wants to gather some additional information from other Oregon coastal town.

LIAISON REPORTS Don Higginson stated that the Azalea Park Foundation is sending out letters asking for donations for membership.

STAFF ANNOUNCEMENT Tom Weldon discussed American Music Festival concerts for this upcoming summer. He is looking for volunteers who would be interested in researching and finding free summer entertainment ideas.

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS Most of the commissioners feel that the faillure to perform in regards to the ball and soccer fields needs to be address. Recommendation that the Parks and Recreation committee meet with ballfield committee and address the problems. Parks and Recreation committee need to recommend to the city council that the city council needs to set a time frame so that future similar project s do not get as bogged down as the ball fields project have.

motion to adjourn: passed